UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (BRL)

SIPA Liquidation

(Substantively Consolidated)

## ORDER GRANTING TRUSTEE'S MOTION TO RETAIN RITTER & RITTER ADVOKATUR AG AS SPECIAL COUNSEL NUNC PRO TUNC AS OF JANUARY 15, 2013

Upon the motion (the "Motion") of Irving H. Picard (the "Trustee"), as trustee for the substantively consolidated liquidation of the business of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC, and the estate of Bernard L. Madoff, for authority to retain Ritter & Ritter Advokatur AG ("Ritter & Ritter"), as special counsel, *nunc pro tunc*, as of January 15, 2013, and due and proper notice having been given under the circumstances of this case, and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation having specified Ritter & Ritter as special counsel, and after due deliberation,

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The Court finds that Ritter & Ritter is hereby deemed disinterested under 15 U.S.C. § 78eee(b)(6)(B).

3. The Trustee is authorized to retain Ritter & Ritter as special counsel to the Trustee as provided in the Motion, *nunc pro tunc*, as of January 15, 2013.

Dated: New York, New York January 31, 2013

/s/Burton R. Lifland HONORABLE BURTON R. LIFLAND UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE